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**APPLICANT:** **BLUM**  
**Serial No.:** **09/735,720**  
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**For:** **A flexible shape retaining  
lighting device**  
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In response to the Office Action dated December 19, 2000, please amend the application, as follows:

**Drawings**

A set of corrected drawings are attached hereto in reply to the Office Action.

**Specification**

Page 3, line 4, delete "According to one embodiment of the invention, the lighting device includes", insert --, including--; ✓

~~Page 3, line 5, delete "lighting element", insert --lighting element which~~  
~~A 5 includes a plurality of tiny light bulbs molded in a plastic rope--;~~ ✓

Page 3, line 16, delete "includes shapeable wires", insert --is--; ✓

~~Page 4, insert lines 13-15 - Fig. 5a is a cross-sectional cross-sectional view~~  
~~A 6 of the lighting device of Fig. 3 in accordance with another embodiment of the~~

present invention. Fig. 5b is a side view of the lighting device of Fig. 3 in accordance with another embodiment of the present invention;

Page 4, line 30, delete "tube", insert --rope--; ✓

Page 5, line 6-7, delete "shape-retaining element", insert --shape-retaining element 20--; ✓

Page 5, line 7, delete "tube", insert --rope--; ✓

Page 5, line 8, delete "lighting element", insert --lighting element 12--; ✓

Page 5, line 17, delete "bulbs", insert --bulbs 36--; delete "lighting element", insert --lighting element 32--; ✓

Page 5, line 18, delete "lighting element", insert --lighting element 32--; ✓

Page 5, line 21-22, delete "shape-retaining element 36", insert --shape-retaining element 38--; ✓

Page 5, line 24, delete "sleeve 38", insert -- sleeve 40--; delete "flexible covering", insert -- flexible covering 34--; delete "shape-retaining element", insert --shape-retaining element 38--; ✓

Page 5, line 26, delete "sleeve 38", insert -- sleeve 40--; ✓

Page 5, line 27, delete "shape-retaining element", insert --shape-retaining element 38--; ✓

Page 5, line 28, delete "as described above", insert --as seen in Fig. 5a--; ✓

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Page 5, line 29, delete "flexible covering", insert --) flexible covering 34, as seen in Fig. 5b; ✓

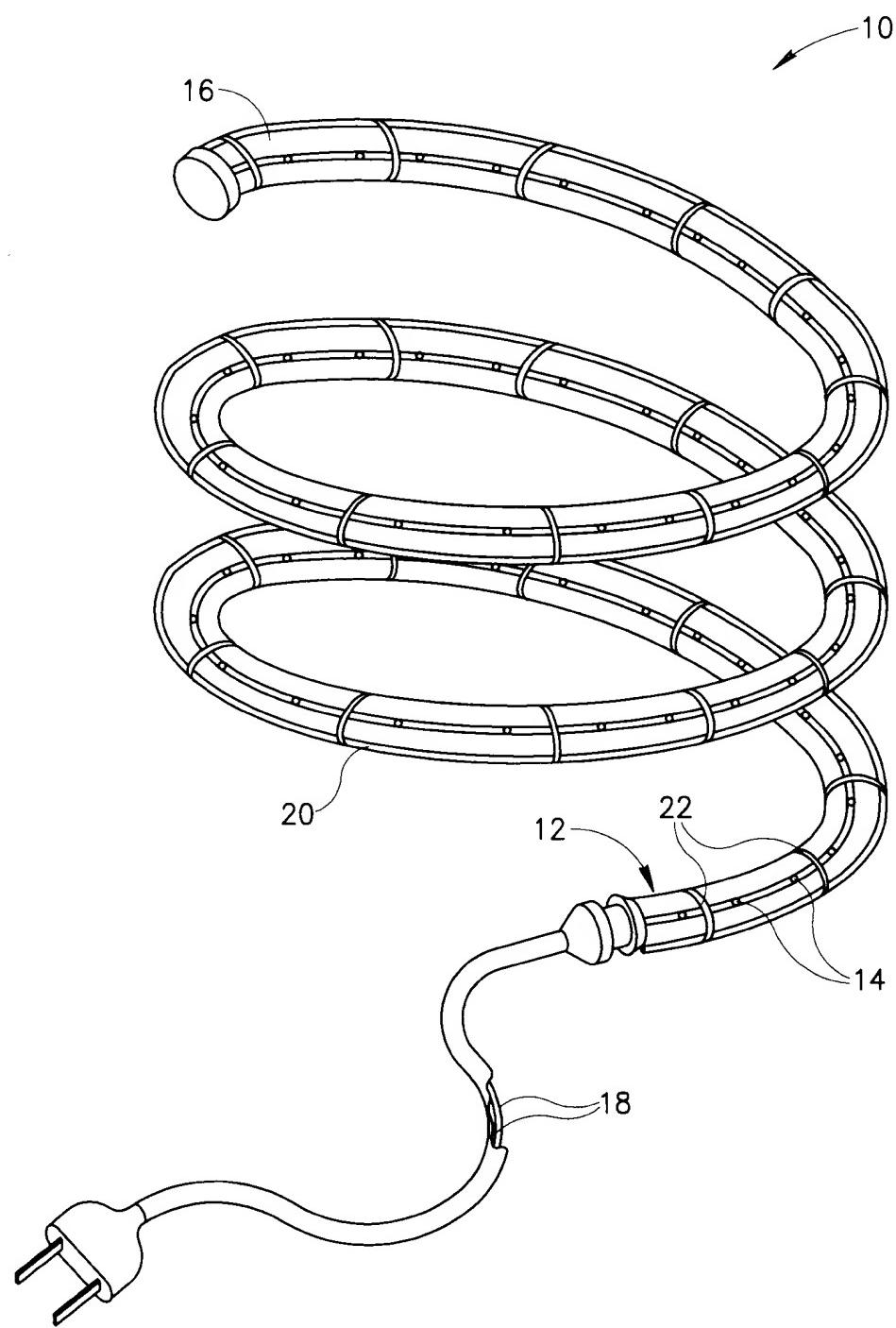


FIG.1

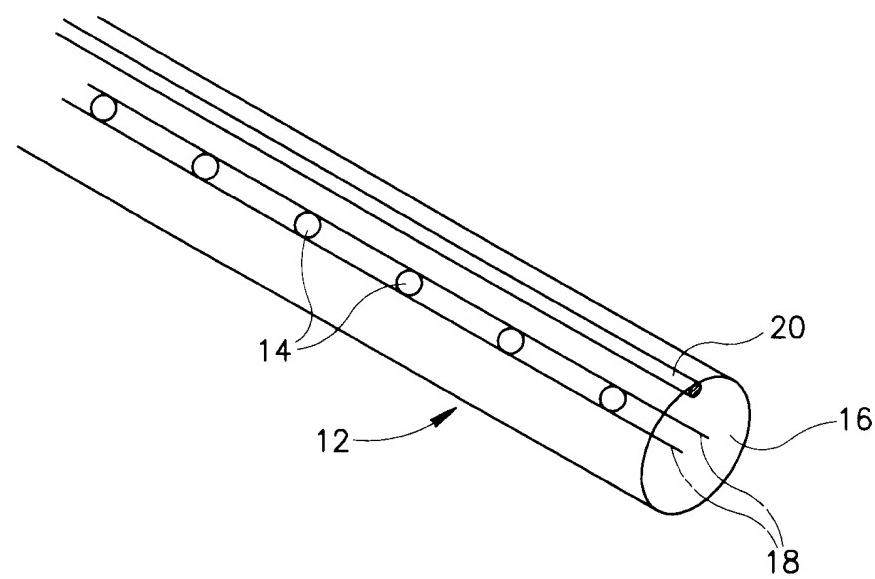


FIG.2A

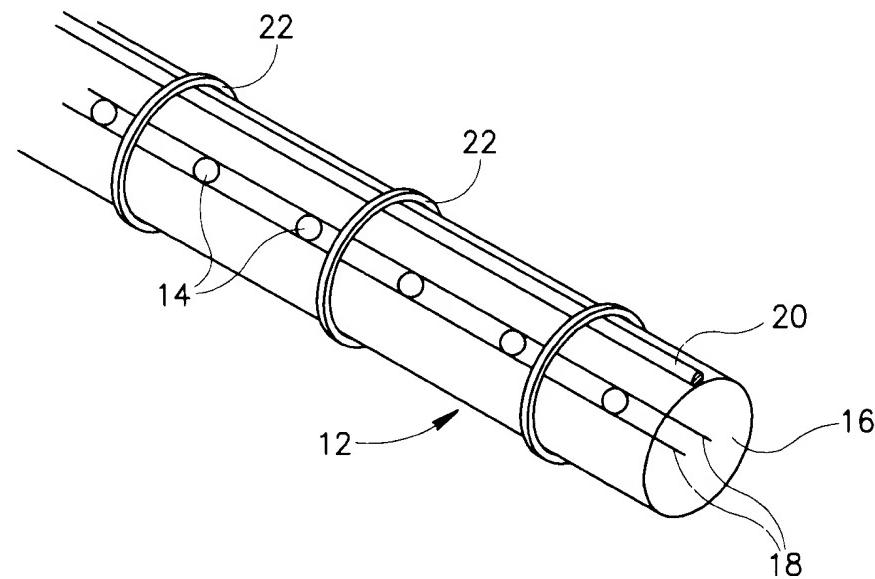


FIG.2B

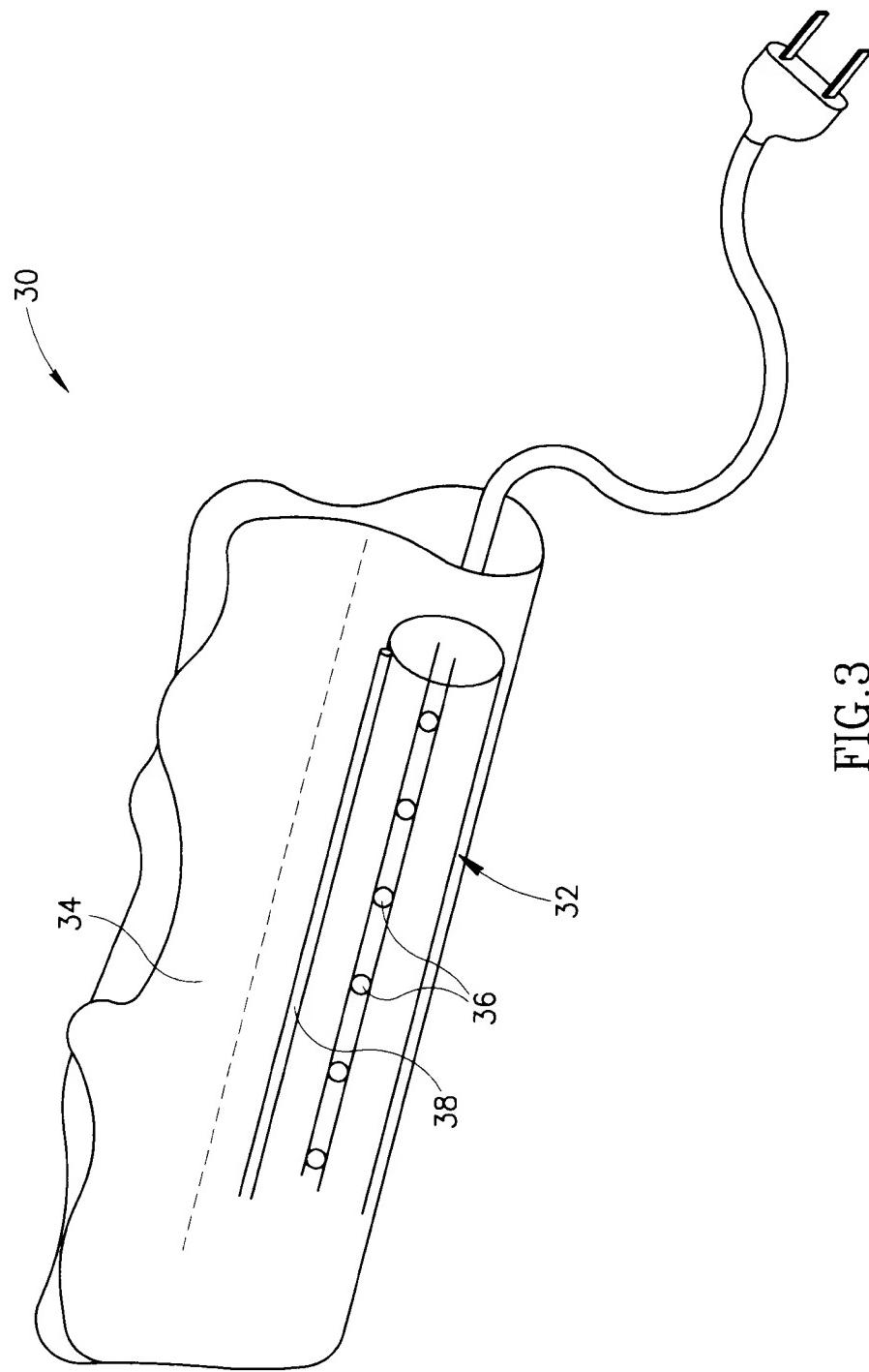


FIG.3

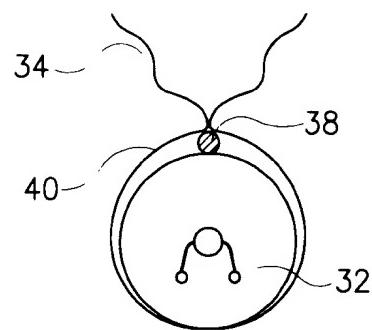


FIG.4

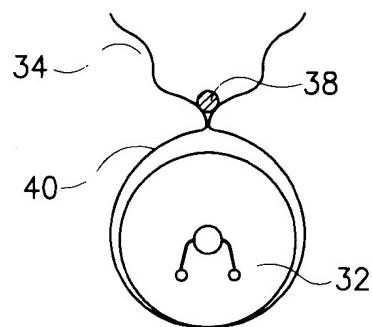


FIG.5A

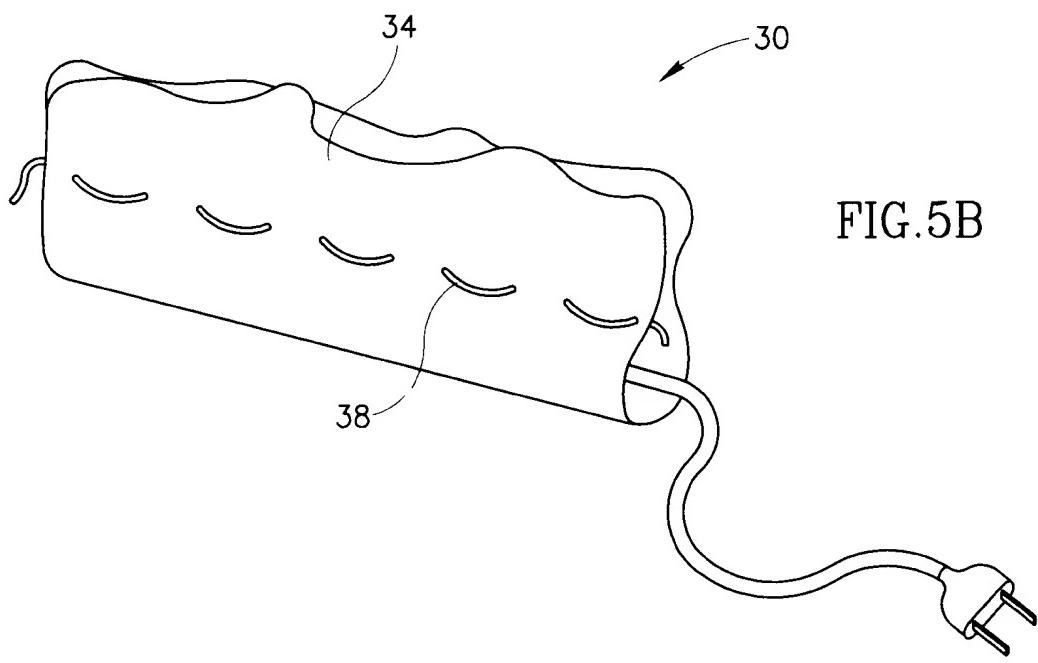


FIG.5B